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Docket No.: 2185-0707P

MS PATENT APPLICATION Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is a Request for filing a  $\square$  continuation  $\boxtimes$  divisional  $\square$  continuation-in-part application under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b) of pending prior Application No. 09/915,475 filed on July 27, 2001, the entire contents of which are hereby incorporated by reference, by

Satoshi OKAMOTO and Manabu HIRAKAWA

for

AROMATIC LIQUID-CRYSTALLINE POLYESTER SOLUTION COMPOSITION

1. Enclosed is an application consisting of specification, claims, declaration and drawings/photographs (if applicable).



2. 

The filing fee has been calculated as follows:

			LARGE ENTITY	SMALL ENTITY
	BASIC FEE		\$770.00	\$385.00
	NUMBER FILED	NUMBER EXTRA	RATE FEE	RATE FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS	3-20 =	0	x 18 = \$0.00	x 9 = \$0.00
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	3-3 =	0	x 86 = \$0.00	x 43 = \$0.00
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS PRESENTED		+ \$290.00	+ \$145.00	
		TOTAL	\$770.00	\$0.00

- 3. A check in the amount of \$770.00 to cover the filing fee and recording fee (if applicable) is enclosed.
- 4. 

  Please charge Deposit Account No. 02-2448 in the amount of \$0.00. A triplicate copy of this request is enclosed.
- 5.  $\square$  Enclosed is/are <u>one</u> (<u>1</u>) sheet(s) of formal drawings and/or photographs.
- 6a. A statement claiming small entity status was filed in prior Application No. 09/915,475 on \_\_\_\_. See the attached copy of the statement claiming small entity status.
- 6b. 

  The current application qualifies for small entity status.
- 7. The prior application is assigned to <u>Sumitomo Chemical</u> <u>Company</u>, <u>Limited</u> .
- 8. 

  A Preliminary Amendment is enclosed.
- Priority of Application No(s). 2000-230782, 2000-244276, 2001-089622 and 2001-132009 filed in Japan on July 31, 2000, August 11, 2000, March 27, 2001 and April 27, 2001, respectively, is/are claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119. See attached copy of the Letter claiming priority filed in the prior application on July 27, 2001.

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9b.		Priority of International Appln filed on under the Patent Cooperation Treaty and Application No filed in on under 35 U.S.C. § 120 and/or § 119 are hereby reclaimed.			
10.	$\boxtimes$	An Information Disclosure Statement and PTO-1449 form(s) are attached hereto for the Examiner's consideration.			
11.	$\boxtimes$	Address all future communications to:			
		BIRCH, STEWART, KOLASCH & BIRCH, LLP P.O. Box 747 Falls Church, VA 22040-0747 (703) 205-8000 or Customer No. 02292			
12.		An extension of time for() month(s) untilhas been submitted in parent Application No. 09/915,475 in order to establish co-pendency with the present application.			
13.		Also enclosed herewith is the following:			
overy fees	urrent paymer requ:	ecessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any at to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional ired under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17; aly, extension of time fees.			
		Respectfully submitted,			
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Attachment(s)